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- **★** Securing the Right Talent
 - Call to Serve and Annenberg Speakers Bureau
- **★** Engaging Employees to Deliver Results
 - Best Places to Work in the Federal Government
- **★** Developing and Energizing Leaders
 - Center for Government Leadership
- **★** Fueling Innovation
 - Service to America Medals (Sammies)



Objectives

- **★** Leadership & Innovation in Government
- * Attributes of Innovation Leaders
- **★** FeedForward
- **★** Action Planning



Approach

- **★** Experience is the Best Teacher
- **★** Leaders Learn Best by Doing
- **★** Experience of Others is a Starting Point
- **★** Ultimately, You're Responsible



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The Washington Post

New Post poll finds negativity toward federal workers

By <u>Lisa Rein and Ed O'Keefe</u> Washington Post Staff Writers Monday, October 18, 2010; 12:57 AM

More than half of Americans say they think that federal workers are overpaid for the work they do, and more than a third think they are less qualified than those working in the private sector, according to a Washington Post poll.





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How do you succeed in this environment?

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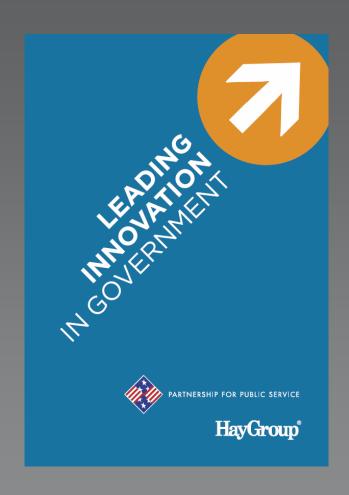
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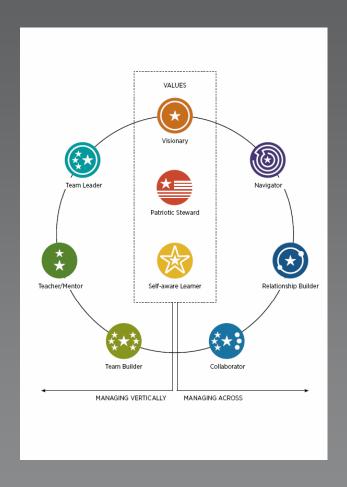
What is your take away?

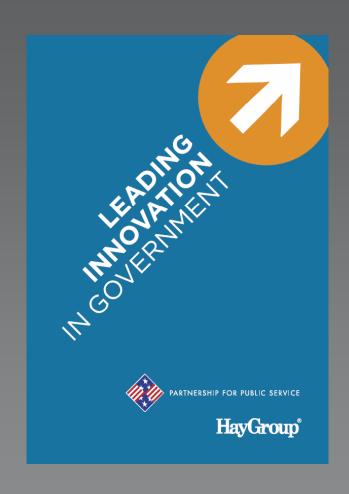
Leadership & Innovation in Government















Patriotic Steward

Possesses a moral compass informed by commitment to country that motivates and shapes one's work; sees oneself as steward of taxpayers' money.



Self-aware Learner

Possesses self-awareness that drives confidence in one's ability to get things done and is constantly learning and growing; seeks feedback and learning opportunities.



Visionary

Recognizes the opportunity to make things better and formulates a new or different path forward; at every step, gathers information, input and insights from others.



Navigator

Understands, navigates and uses knowledge of the system to overcome roadblocks and accomplish objectives.



Relationship Builder

Persuades others to support and/or contribute to an idea or initiative; may involve overcoming objections by using personal credibility and prior positive relationships.



Collaborator

Values and develops connections with stakeholders across or outside of the organization to better achieve an objective, leveraging the specialties of each for the greater good.



Team Leader

Fosters innovation by creating conditions that enable the team to openly contribute to and achieve objectives.



Teacher/Mentor

Creates and invests in growth opportunities for others, encourages them to stretch beyond their current experience and provides long-term developmental support.



Team Builder

Intentionally composes teams with the optimal skills, abilities and experiences to achieve desired outcomes.

What's your strength?

Where's an area you can improve?

FeedForward

Resources – Articles/Blogs

- ★ 99% (http://the99percent.com)
- ★ Harvard Business Review (http://m.hbr.org)
- ★ Good Magazine (http://www.good.is)
- ★ NY Times Corner Office (http://projects.nytimes.com/corner-office)
- ★ Washington Post Federal Coach (http://views.washingtonpost.com/leadership/ fedcoach/)



Resources – TED Talks

- **★** Watch TED Talks (http:/www.ted.com)
 - Tim Brown Creativity & Play
 - Seth Godin Leading Tribes
 - Steven Johnson –
 Where Do Good Ideas Come From?
 - Alexis Ohanian –
 How to Make a Splash in Social Media
 - Derek Sivers Starting a Movement



Resources – Books

- ★ Good to Great and the Social Sectors
 Jim Collins
- ★ Leading Outside the Lines
 Jon Katzenbach & Zia Khan
- ★ Made to Stick and Switch Chip & Dan Heath
- ★ The Art of Innovation
 Tom Kelley



Resources – Partnership

- ★ Annenberg Leadership Seminars Driving Innovation (June 15-16/October 26-27)
- ★ Excellence in Government Fellows program (March 18, 2011 Deadline)
- ★ Innovation in Government
- ★ Leading Innovation in Government (3/10/2011)
- ★ Service to America Medals (http://servicetoamericamedals.org)



Questions & Answers



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